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GENERAL BRADLEY T. JOHNSON.
The Journal's special representative in Cuba.

LEE SAYS WAR IS RUINING CUBA.

Fair Island Being Devastated by Both Spaniards and Rebels.

Consul-General Says Americans Are Losing Because of the Struggle.

No Prospect of a Decisive Battle Being Fought in the Near Future.

Dawley, the Artist, Acquitted, but Still Kept in a Dungeon by Weyler's Orders.

HIS COUNSEL TO DEMAND DAMAGES.

Will Not Consent to the Prisoner's Release as a "Favor," but Only as an Act of Justice—The Artist Entirely Guiltless.

By Gen. Bradley T. Johnson.

Havana, June 11.—"The war now being waged in Cuba is devastating the island," said Consul-General Lee to me to-day.

"I understand enough of the situation to know that the destruction of property between the lines of the contending forces is enormous.

"Bodies of troops from both the Cuban and the Spanish armies and bands of men belonging to neither side rob and burn because there is no authority between the lines to restrain them.

"The property of American citizens is suffering greatly and will continue to suffer until peace comes. Peace should come immediately. 'But there is no peace,' and will not be for a long time if it



GENERAL FITZHUGH LEE.
President Cleveland's special Envoy in Cuba.

depends on a decisive victory by one side or the other."

Testified in Dawley's Case.

I was aroused yesterday morning at 1 o'clock by Mr. Bryson, of the Herald, who had received a police notice to appear before the Judge of Military Instruction between 12 and 4 o'clock Tuesday. He was then nine hours behind time, but in two minutes we were in a cab, rattling down to what we supposed would be a police office and open all night.

It turned out to be the military Judge's private residence and we rapped him up in short order. He is a little man, and little men are irascible. So we were neither surprised nor shocked at his protesting vigorously that we ought to go to jail for waking him up at that hour. We did not mind that, as Mr. Bryson only wished to report.

Mr. Bryson was absolutely guiltless of any offense against any law, human or divine, Cuban or curious. The Judge said Mr. Bryson should appear in court. The Spaniards wanted him to testify in the case of Thomas R. Dawley, the Harper's Weekly artist.

Dawley's trial began at 8 o'clock in the morning. General Lee was so confident that the man was in no danger that he did not think it necessary to appear at the trial. But I went to court in the Judge's house and introduced myself as counsel for Dawley. He was not there, but the Judge went on with the case.

Bryson testified that Dawley was, to the best of his knowledge, an American born citizen, that his business was photographing which he said he had taken, but there were none of the forts or fortifications. There was one of a church which Bryson heard had been converted into a rebel fort.

The Judge was exceedingly well disposed. Dawley was acquitted, and after a while he will be discharged.

Dawley an American's Rights.

I volunteered in Dawley's case solely and entirely because he is an American citizen and I believe has the right to protection. We will see if an American citizen can be arrested without cause, incarcerated in a filthy dungeon with thousands of rats and then turned loose on the world without reputation. Dawley is an itinerant photographer. He goes over the country taking pictures of Cuban girls, of scenery, of soldiers, of rebels and anything else that is interesting.

He was pursuing this peaceful pursuit when he was arrested. His arms were tied behind him and he was driven at the point of the carbine and threatened to be shot because he would not carry his baggage with his arms in such condition. He will be released "at the request" of Consul General Lee, by way of grace, but I fail to understand how this unmitigated outrage on this man can be condoned.

It is not a matter of favor or grace; it is an attempt to cover up and hide a barbarity to an innocent man. And all the favors and courtesies in the world will not extenuate it or mitigate the injury and the wrong.

Dawley has got to be vindicated and compensated. It will be a branch of the faith of the United States if he is not protected, for he came here on his guaranty. This is a country which requires a consular court where the Consul General can issue his writ of habeas corpus to any Spanish officer and command him to produce the body of any American citizen held by him with the cause and reason of his detention.

General Lee saw the Captain General to-day, who told him that he should release Dawley in a few days as a matter of favor to Lee. I told the Consul General that there could be no grace or favor between the Spanish Government and Dawley. Justice was the only basis of action between them, and he would have "no grace," but I would see if justice could not be obtained.

Stewart Janney, of Baltimore, is, I hear, on Calixto Garcia's staff. Latrobe and McKim are doubtless with him.

BUSY DAY FOR CLEVELAND.

Had to Pass on Many Bills at the Last Moment.

Washington, June 11.—President Cleveland was a busy man to-day, considering and signing bills rushed to the White House from both houses of Congress. His Cabinet officers were with him to give advice on measures connected with their several departments, and Private Secretary Thurber was also called into the hasty consultations necessary in each case. A number of bills were not signed, and, therefore, failed to become laws. These and those approved will be announced from the White House to-morrow.

The President will not leave for Gray Gables for some days at least.



THE ENGAGEMENT OF "LA CUNDA"

Scenes and Actors in the Fierce Struggle Going 'On in Cuba.

Drawings from sketches made by a Journal correspondent. At the La Cunda engagement only the opportune arrival of strong reinforcements saved the Spaniards from crushing defeat.

APPEALS TO SPANIARDS.

Paris Newspaper Asks Them to Free Cuba While They Can Do So with Honor.

Paris, June 11.—Gil Blas, in a military supplement which has wide circulation, again powerfully appeals in behalf of the Cubans. It says:

"As to the atrocities with which the Cubans are reproached, they are much exaggerated, and there are only isolated deeds which are blameworthy, but only dishonoring to the authors, and it is unjust to make the entire Cuban army responsible.

"The Spanish. It must be admitted, are not saints in this matter. Frenchmen who fought Spain know better than any one the 'mildness' with which they treat prisoners.

"We should like to see Spain renounce this fratricidal struggle, ruinous for herself, in which she must necessarily fail. She will gain credit in the eyes of the world by granting this brave little people the liberty which is their right. She can still do it without shame, and even with pride, for to give honors him who offers more than him who receives.

"In now recognizing the independence of the Cuban Republic, the Spanish can still save honor, reconcile themselves with the Cubans, and sign with them a mutually advantageous treaty.

"Will it be so after a second Competitor

POPE FOR CHURCH UNION.

Has Prepared an Encyclical Asking All Denominations to Join with Rome.

By Julian Ralph.
London, June 11.—The Brussels Courier announces that a Papal encyclical on the unity of the Churches and the supremacy of the See of Rome will shortly be issued in Latin. The document is now complete and is being translated into various languages.

The document is lengthy and is a doctrinal work, in which the Pope's intention is to prove the supremacy of the Papal See by numerous quotations drawn from the Greek fathers and the ancient and Oriental liturgy.

Copies of the encyclical will be forwarded to all reigning sovereigns; also to the heads of dissenting churches, because the leading aim of the document is to bring about a union of the various churches with Rome, and to show why union is necessary.

The Pope starts from the fundamental principle that the Church must be one, and sets forth the essential features of unity, of doctrine and of faith.

He makes an appeal to all well-wishers of humanity to work for this end.



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